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A Modern Invasion

And now that Judge Graham of Granville county has announced his candidacy to succeed Mr. Rogers as a member of the corporation commission it behooves us to enter a great big protest, and we'll continue to protest for the simple reason that Western North Carolina is entitled to the place.

Judge Graham has an unquenchable thirst for a place on the commission—he fought as best he could for the place made vacant by the death of Mr. Aycock but he could not withstand the onslaughts of the Brown forces. Thereupon he crossed his confines, rallying his imaginary forces, and proceeded to invade this goodly portion of the State.

His call to represent Western North Carolina as a member of the commission he conjured up, it is wild and fanciful and if harbored is liable to terminate in hallucination or brain storm. So empty indeed is his candidacy that his former adherents will fail utterly to lend their support to his would be and groundless invasion of Western North Carolina in this particular.

Judge Graham in his heedless rush into politics peculiar to others and not himself, fails to see that with his successful candidacy, there would be three commissioners from the eastern section of the State. Seeing as he does, and through a darkened glass, he plunges onward to—we are happy to say—certain destruction.

There is no questioning the fact that Western North Carolina is entitled to this place on the commission and there is no better equipped man in this part of the State for the place than Mr. W. T. Lee, of Waynesville. Mr. Lee has been widely endorsed by both the people and press of this part of the State.

Judge Graham's eagerness for "the vacant chair" on the commission, together with his abnormal and unprecedented efforts to obtain it presents the most unique political burlesque of the times, and with assurance we advise that we are ever ready to countenance a wholesome surprise, but such a freakish pale political pill we cannot swallow.

Bradley for Sheriff.

The Democratic voters of Old Fort are apparently very enthusiastic in their endorsements of Fred M. Bradley for the nomination of Sheriff. Some of the leading Democrats have seen fit to send an article to this paper advocating Mr. Bradley's candidacy.

Mr. Bradley is an excellent business man, being identified with the Bank of Old Fort as cashier. It is understood that he has a very strong following indeed at Old Fort and there is a general interest manifested throughout the county over his proposed candidacy.

Instead of saving any portion of the \$300,000,000 which Senator Aldrich asserts is being wasted by the government annually through "obsolete business methods," the Taft administration threatens to break all records in the history of the government in the enormous expenditure of money. It looks now as if the appropriations for this session of Congress would exceed the appropriations of the last regular session to the extent of about \$20,000,000. This will be a billion dollar session and then some.

Congressman Charles F. Barclay of Pennsylvania, a Cannon Republican, has allowed it to become known that the state of his health will not permit him to continue as a candidate for re-election. This is the ninth "standpatter" whose ill health, due largely to voting for the Payne-Aldrich tariff revision upward, has necessitated withdrawal from the approaching congressional elections.

SEVEN BISHOPS CHOSEN

By J. G. Kilgo, President of Trinity College, Wins on First Ballot.

In the General Conference of the Methodist Church at Asheville yesterday morning balloting was begun for the election of seven bishops. On the first ballot Dr. John C. Kilgo, president of Trinity College, and Dr. Collins Denny, of the Baltimore Conference, were elected.

The second ballot resulted in the choice of Dr. W. B. Murray of the Mississippi Conference, president of Mississippi College at Jackson, Miss.

On Tuesday the other four bishops were elected, namely: W. R. Lambuth, of Tennessee; E. D. Monzon, of Texas; R. G. Waterhouse, of Virginia, and J. H. McCoy, of Alabama. Only six ballots were necessary to complete the College of Bishops.

Saturday charges were preferred against Bishop Morrison, but the committee of investigation decided that a trial was not necessary. The charges did not affect the bishop's moral character but related to his administration, particularly in the matter of appointments at the Annual Conferences. Tuesday the Conference adopted the report of the committee that Bishop Morrison be kept on the active list but be given lighter duties.

An interesting debate resulted on the tobacco question. A majority report of the committee recommended that the Annual Conferences urge upon candidates for the ministry that they abstain from the use of tobacco, at least for reasons of ministerial prudence. A minority report had been filed asking that a law be inserted requiring candidates for the ministry to promise to abstain from the use of tobacco as long as they remain in the ministry. A motion was made to lay the minority report on the table, which was lost. Then it was that the hottest fight in the entire session began and the majority report was adopted by the narrow margin of 134 to 137.

Fred M. Bradley Recommended for Sheriff.

We, the undersigned Democrats of Old Fort Township recommend for candidate for the office of Sheriff of McDowell county, North Carolina, Fred M. Bradley of Old Fort, N. C. He is a man of high standing in every respect and well qualified to fulfil the duties of the office. If he is nominated, we are confident he will be elected.

L. P. Crawford, J. C. Sandlin, J. L. Fortune, J. L. Nichols, T. J. Fortune, J. L. Burgin, W. P. Terrell, L. B. Moore, Dr. G. W. Freeman, C. S. Burgin.

E. G. Goforth for Treasurer.

We are requested to state that the citizens of Higgins Township desire to put the name of E. G. Goforth before the Democratic County convention for the office of Treasurer for McDowell county, subject to the action of said convention.

We are pleased to note that the people of Watauga and Mitchell counties are becoming aroused on the Sheep-killing Dog question. Many good citizens favor a dog law, making it a misdemeanor for a dog to be found off the premises of its owner and subjecting the owner to a fine for each and every offense. If a law containing that provision could be passed and executed, the sheep-killing dog would disappear.—Lenoir News. [May other counties fall in line and hasten the day when the sheep-killing dog must go. We need more sheep and less worthless dogs.]

The negro divines of Virginia are enjoying a great harvest because of the comet. Never have the annals of negro church membership shown such a noticeably large and rapidly increasing membership. The lambs and black sheep are flocking into the fold. Church dues, back and present, are being rapidly met, and large donations and contributions are daily in evidence. We guess those colored expounders have taken full advantage of the opportunities thus afforded them—if not, the comet to them were in vain.

A REPLY.

EDITOR PROGRESS:

I notice in your issue of May 12th an editorial severely criticizing the Hon. W. C. Newland for what you term the announcement of his candidacy for Governor of North Carolina. In the first place Mr. Newland, in a signed article appearing in the Charlotte Evening Chronicle, says that he has not made any announcement of his candidacy. He states that while on the train a few days ago, in conversation with a friend, he was asked if he intended to enter the race for Governor. Mr. Newland replied that when the time of the contest arrived, that it was his present intention to make an effort to secure the nomination. And this much was said by Mr. Newland with no idea or intention on his part that the conversation should become public or appear in the newspapers.

However, suppose that Mr. Newland had thought it proper to announce his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Governor of North Carolina. Since when did it come to pass in North Carolina that a true and loyal democrat was to be deprived of the "color of right" to make known to other loyal democrats that it was his purpose to ask that great body of men to honor him with the gift of office?

Your attention is invited to the further fact that Mr. Newland has been engaged in fighting the battles of the democratic party for the past twenty years. In every contest of the party during this period he has borne a prominent and leading part, and has contributed freely of his time, his talents and his money in order to ensure democratic success.

Mr. Newland is a native son of McDowell county, having been born and reared within two miles of Marion. He has a host of friends and kinspeople in McDowell county who would be delighted to see him honored, and while it may be your opinion that he has "no color of right" for the nomination for Governor, and that "there is nothing but abject futility in his candidacy," you will be astonished to find, should he decide to enter the contest, that a large number of your subscribers do not by any means agree with you or share your conclusions in the above respect.

As to Mr. Newland's ingratitude, that charge can only emanate from a biased fancy. The real facts in the case will not warrant any one in making such a charge. We believe that the Hon. Locke Craig himself would strongly resent such an imputation, for Mr. Craig well knows that he had no more loyal supporter in his contest against Governor Kitchin than Mr. Newland, and Mr. Craig further knows that Mr. Newland carried his county for him in the face of strong opposition.

You assert further that Mr. Newland is a product of the Craig campaign, and that the Craig forces exalted Mr. Newland. No one attempts to deny that the Craig forces were large contributors to Mr. Newland's success in the Charlotte convention, still it does not appeal to one as sound and strong reasoning to contend that the Craig forces nominated Mr. Newland for Lieut. Governor, when it is a well known fact that after a fierce contest for days they failed to nominate Mr. Craig over Mr. Kitchin. Surely Mr. Craig's friends and what you term the Craig forces were just as ardent and loyal in their support of Craig as they were in their support of Newland.

You make the statement that you do not endorse universal understandings, in regard to nominations; but on the contrary you prefer to see a man make a fight and win on his merits. From your article it appears to be doubtful just what your sentiments are in this respect, for you deny to Mr. Newland the right to do the very things that you claim to warmly endorse. You charge him with ingratitude for even presuming to go before the people of North Carolina on his merits, and deny the right of an Honorable Democrat to make an open and candid effort to gain a free expression of the will of the people.

The contest for the office of Governor of North Carolina is yet in the distance. I am therefore not expressing a preference for any one aspirant to this high honor, but I go into print to defend the good name of one of North Carolina's most honored citizens against the charge of ingratitude, which charge is unwarranted, unjust, and is not based on facts. It is simply an empty unsupported charge, that is all.

As to his right to be a candidate for the office of Governor we will let the loyal Democrats of the state of North Carolina pass judgment on that issue and not the Editor of THE MARION PROGRESS.

Yours truly, M. F. MORPHEW.

Stingy Valley Items:

Stingy Valley, May 16.—Jack Frost keeps counting the farmers will be thinking the fall or winter instead of spring. Wonder if there is any danger of the early flowers on the spring and summer hats getting from off?

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Bright and children spent Friday in Marion, visiting friends and relatives.

We are sorry to know that Miss Lennie Bailey has the measles, but glad to hear she is convalescing.

Oscar Young of Marion was visiting "friends" here Saturday and Sunday.

M. G. Pendergrass attended the Quarterly meeting at Bethel and visited friends and relatives Saturday and Sunday.

Oliver Pendergrass of Ebenezer spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives near here.

Rev. D. P. Lowdermilk filled his monthly appointment at Zion Hill last Sunday. But on account of rain the Saturday evening service was omitted.

Edward Taylor of Marion was here Thursday on business.

I wish to inform Quex of Greenlee that we were not aware that Cupid was fortunate enough to have a sister. If ever such a personage existed, we do not presume "her" name would be "Cupid." But wherever in ancient or mythical history did Quex ever exist? We would like to hear from that worthy on the subject.

Owing to a mistake by us or our obliging editor the observation concerning our carrier was misunderstood. It was intended to convey the idea that the reason he deserved so much credit as a carrier was he carries the mails through the week days and females on Sunday. The occasional misplacing of papers may be owing to this, and we hope the carrier will not be offended but take a gentle hint. With the regards of

EBENEZER NEWS.

Ebenezer, May 17.—"Jack Frost" crept into our gardens last week and destroyed some of our early vegetables, but we hope that there is "time enough yet" for us to replant.

Mrs. R. S. McDaniel has returned from Spartanburg after a four months' stay. We gladly welcome her.

Miss Blanche Stepp, who has been visiting relatives in Marion, returned home a few days ago.

Rev. Will Bradley will preach at Ebenezer on the fifth Sunday in this month at three o'clock p. m.

J. T. W. Moffitt, T. J. Jordan and Miss Alice Jordan attended the show in Marion last Thursday.

Miss Florence Pendergrass spent a few days in Old Fort last week with her sister, Mrs. George York.

Mrs. M. M. Allison returned to A. L. Hicks' last Saturday after a two weeks visit in Old Fort.

Mr. and Mrs. Stoyer Dover and children were visitors at T. J. Jordan's last Sunday.

Mrs. Lewis Allison and Mrs. P. Buchanan have gone to Gilkey to visit the parents of the former.

The comet has been a topic of much interest for the past few days. But we haven't seen it for the last two or three days on account of the cloudy weather.

POTSY AND PATSY.

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J. D. Blanton

Mr. Jordan's Answer.
Old Fort, N. C.
May 17, 1910.
Some one is wanting to know what special brand I use when I go out comet hunting. I will tell him I use common sense spiked and sweetened with experience and two eyes to look with. I am not like the sluggard that lies in bed till ten or eleven o'clock and don't know whether the sun rises in the east or west only by what some one else says about it, so if you want to know anything more about me or the comet name yourself or keep silent for I want to know whether I am talking to a human or a J. A.
Yours truly,
PAT JORDAN.

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